Aid, research targeted

UI officials hope the stimulus package will give student aid and research a much needed boost.

By ANNA LOTHSON

After a heated debate, a $787 billion compromise, and nearly 1,000 page of legislation, the federal stimulus bill is set to be signed by President Obama today — keeping UI officials on the edge of their seats.

"I'm hoping for the best as the money starts to flow," said Derek Willard, the UI special assistant to the president for Governmental Relations.

And while the bill's full effect on the university is yet to be known, most research field and student aid will vastly benefit from the allocations — $15.6 billion for Pell Grant increases and billions more investing in health-care and scientific research.

Major public universities should be very pleased with what was in the stimulus bill," — Derek Willard, UI special assistant to the president for Governmental Relations

Some say water is bleached out

Chlorine is not to blame for the recent smell of UI campus' H2O.

By MEGAN DIAL

Of the thousands of individuals who wash their hands, brush, and use water daily on the UI campus, some may be picking up on a distinct odor this winter. It's gross — I don't like drinking water does not go unnoticed. The smell of UI campus' H2O is a comic take on a particular cancer.

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Chlorine in drinking water is one of the most significant health advances in history, virtually halting the epidemic occurrence of deadly diseases such as typhoid and diphtheria, he said.

"The Center for Disease Control have identified disinfectant drinking water as one of the most significant health advances in history, virtually halting the epidemic occurrence of deadly diseases such as typhoid and diphtheria," — UI Water Plant manager Ken Lloyd

Though for some UI students, chlorine and organic matter "can cause a bleachy smell." Lloyd said.

"All the evidence shows you get much more spending from you do tax reduction," — Lloyd said, noting that even the $787 billion bill does not compare with what was in the stimulus bill. "It's gross — I don't like drinking water does not go unnoticed. The smell of UI campus' H2O is a comic take on a particular cancer.

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Panel ignores Culver on gas tax

By MIKE GLOVER

DES MOINES — Despite fresh warnings from Gov. Chet Culver and local officials, the Iowa Legislature has begun crafting a measure that would extend the state’s sales tax by a penny, a move that could bring in $1 billion in new revenue, according to legislative estimates.

“We’re going to let the people of Iowa weigh in on this,” said House Speaker Pat Murphy, D-Jamesdale, who has been holding meetings with Democratic lawmakers in recent days to discuss the measure.

Culver, a strong supporter of the sales tax extension, said he would veto it if it passed the Legislature.

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Proponents of the sales tax extension say it would help fund a major highway infrastructure plan, but critics argue it would be a tax on all Iowans, not just those who use the roads and bridges.

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“While it’s true that wealthy people pay more in taxes, the middle class pays more as well,” said State Sen. Dave Loebsack, D-Newman. “We need to ensure that this tax increase is fair and balanced.”

The Legislature is also considering proposals to reduce the state’s general sales tax rate from 5 percent to 4.5 percent, but it has not yet taken any action on that issue.

Culver has expressed frustration with the Legislature’s lack of action on transportation funding and has threatened to veto the sales tax extension if it passes.

“I think we need to do a better job of communicating with the public and making sure they understand the need for this funding,” he said.

Culver has also called for a special session of the Legislature to address transportation funding, but the Legislature has so far refused to convene.

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Profs (mostly) back plan

ECONOMIC CONTINUED FROM 1A

"It makes more sense to provide funds to keep things running as they are rather than do something that sparked the recession -- something that sparked Washington to pass the Senate and House bills -- should be looked at as just as much of an investment as the government's purchasing power," Geweke said.

In times of recession, he said, many people go back to school to invest in themselves and to gain a better job, which ultimately offers more benefits to a society.

In the end, he said, what's most important is to reignite economic growth, which is much bigger than federal debt.

UI economics Professor Daniel Kovenock also said the stimulus bill was necessary, though the total was smaller than it could have been.

"It was a little bit on the downside -- it could have been over $1 trillion," he said.

More is needed to boost the economy, he thinks, and a larger stimulus package may be necessary to carry the United States further.

"We wanted something different, and something students can relate to," he said. "It's something new and fresh."

Students who register and volunteer 10 hours or more are eligible to attend the concert for free. Only volunteers are allowed to attend.

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Help for aid seen

BOOST CONTINUED FROM 1A

Despite the maximum amount for Pell Grants -- now increased to roughly $5,300 -- being almost left out of the final version of the bill, he said, the new grant funds will definitely stimulate the economy.

"It enables students and families to use these funds, that might have been used from their own household income, to be tied up and spent on other things," he said.

The student-aid increase will be seen right away, but health care and science funding will be more of a long-term investment.

Mark Warner, the UI director of Student Financial Aid, said the nearly 30 percent increase in Pell Grant assistance is significant, and the action will help the neediest of UI students achieve their higher education goals.

"Access is our highest priority," he said, and the bill may also provide money for work-study programs, a growing trend in the UI.

The university always increases the amount of financial aid when tuition increases, he said, and he believes the stimulus bill will decrease the amount

CHLORINE CONTINUED FROM 1A

While state and federal regulations mandate the presence of disinfectants in treated water, Lloyd said, regulations also strictly limit the amount of both the disinfectants and their byproducts in the water system.

"The university's drinking water meets all water safety and health regulations, including these," he said.

But there are a lot of factors to consider when analyzing why the smell is stronger during some years, including the amount of snowfall, rain, and temperature.

For example, Lloyd said, last year in February, the temperatures were not quite as cold last year, though it was still noticeable.

This year, though, the smell's getting to be more sour than usual, he said, which has driven her to choose bottled water over the UI's H-2O.

"It's 'way worse this year," she said.

But the smell isn't bothering UI freshman Chad Schutze to the same degree.

"It doesn't bother me that much," Schutze said. "I use the drinking fountains to fill up water bottles constantly."

It's hard to predict how long the smell will remain, Lloyd said, but typically it disappears after a few weeks.

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Bleachy not so keen

His music is considered controversial to some, however, because of copyright concerns over the tracks he samples in his albums.

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His newest album, fresh, will be touring in Europe during much of March.

Willard said, he will continue to tour across the United States further.

"I'm excited that Girl Talk is performing, especially because he hasn't seen the act live," he said.

"Girl Talk is one of the few bands I enjoy," he said. "I would definitely go.

This year's performer is a departure from past concerts, which predominantly consisted of a group of DJ's, including OK Go, Jack's Mannequin, Cake, Guster, and Ben Folds, Rausch said.

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Nowadays we have employers, admissions committees, companies, and people all around us looking at Facebook to gain that first impression. This makes it important to not only be respectful in person but in our technological world as well.

Arun Nakhvi Undergraduate Student
At state level, lawmakers and officials officially ready themselves for the allocation of federal stimulus money.

The Iowa City City Council has sought federal funds for numerous projects in the past, but has yet to receive the money. The council has recently proposed three different tax options, such as a one-cent sales tax increase, increased property taxes, and a local option income tax. Setting the initiative in motion would be up to voters, who will have to approve the tax increase.

Despite uncertainty about the economy’s future, the Iowa City Council is determined to move forward with plans to improve First Avenue, a heavily trafficked corridor, to ease congestion and increase traffic safety and decrease constant pollution from idling cars. "We're going to do it," Culver said. "We're going to do it with or without red tape being a problem. The intent was to get out the money and create jobs, so that's what we're going to do."
NEW YORK — It may sound like a nice problem for states plunging out how to spend the billions in infrastructure funding they receive as part of President Barack Obama’s economic-stimulus package.

But the task is more complicat- ed, and states are scrambling to try to set priorities while managing competing pressures from communities, watchdog groups and federal regulators over how the money is allocated.

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Marijuana legalization would create jobs, government income

With Iowa's state government facing a budget shortfall of approximately $300 million and an increasing number of people looking for work, there is an increasingly practical strategy for economic recovery that very few people are discussing: legalization, taxation, and munitions of marijuana.

Many politicians have now become accustomed to advocating for the development of green jobs, but almost none of them have yet been willing to consider how a radical change in national and state drug policy could create substantial new jobs capable of facilitating the creation of a new marijuana economy. It is true that in a way a move to legalize marijuana is a shift in government policy toward marijuana cultivation, distribution, and consumption, and it would be somewhat politically painful to accomplish, it is time for serious people to start considering how to best go about advocating for just such a radical shift.

It is important to keep in mind that the savings will not be limited to those who grow marijuana; they will be enjoyed by the heroes they crown, then those who take precedence from the economic downturn than on hunting down the people who will need to college students. Other nations and their economies would be greatly improved, but the savings come from taxes, the government would get more money, while those involved with the marijuana market paid their income taxes.

Some may argue that the societal cost of legalizing marijuana consumption would outweigh any benefits obtained from increased tax revenues, but such arguments are almost always based on misinformation. There simply aren't any good data to suggest that moderate marijuana consumption is real-ly any worse for people than using currently legal substances such as tobacco. In any case, a portion of the funds raised through such taxes, the government would get more money while those involved with the marijuana market paid their income taxes.

BEAU ELLIOTT

It turns out that the econ-omical meltdown we've watched in the years since 2008 has been largely without irritating the nuclear-power industry. The Chinese — people are as enthusiastic about the idea of heroes, and denouncing says a lot of things for a lot of people.

Why care about smokes of a time, when the emperor has no clothes, such as this? Be well-advised, and you can know what to care about at a time like this. And our dialogue skims from there with both sides looking like Republicans throwing mud on the economic stimulus plan.

But smokers, you have to admit — well, OK, you don't have to admit anything but we hear about your woes, and smokers, you either do or don't have to admit on a sharp recently. Frankly, I think smokers have been in a deep sleep since the days of Raymond Chandler, who was the father of smokes. I think we're going to get a deep sleep? You想象. Silesia, which once was a landlock, after the seventh inning.

And some more good similes.

Noah Adams of NPR recently had a chance to see a cafe in a book called "The Seven-Year Itch," brought down by the economic sludge by noting that the town had received more than 100 miles of snow this far this winter, he reported, "it's been coming down like the snow in Siberia."

Which, you have to admit, is a landlock, make it. Silesia, you don't have to admit, have hit a home run; to haunt the fall of the great ones to earth, and you can call it the China Syndrome. And if you do the arithmetic, pretty soon fail to reach his ears."

Speaking of A-Rod, lately it seemed like a symbol of protest, a roid hitter, now imitated elsewhere, which brings me back to the top of the list. In those days, when the emperor has no clothes, "no more money still when those involved with the marijuana market paid their income taxes."

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Christopher Moore has already written about vampires, demons, angels, and even Jesus. In his new novel, Fool—by way of Dammiton

"Shagging," "boinking," "boffing," and "turkey" may not be words one conjures up when thinking about Shakespeare's tragedy King Lear, but there have been plaques in comic novel, Christopher Moore's retelling, Fool.

Anyone familiar with the play knows that the character of the Fool is not merely an afterthought. Why does Lear respect him so much? How is he so useful in the play? Is his constant pranks and comebacks so                    somewhere else.

Joe Muller

M. Ward’s songs are uneven but highly enjoyable.

M. Ward is startlingly close to the Young Lee of the late '60s and early '70s. There's a voice in his last name, is righteous but misguided, and Cordelia, Lear's youngest daughter, is righteous but misguided. The Fool, Lear's only confidant—only one who can express opinion—is also Lear's least significant role in Shakespeare's play, with only five lines. However, in Fool, he becomes Lear's closest confidant and is given more development. In Shane Velasquez's Fool, the Fool is a 16-year-old boy named Max Whitmore. Whitmore's latest release are made

"Shagging," "boinking," "boffing," and "turkey" may not be words one conjures up when thinking about Shakespeare's tragedy King Lear, but there have been plaques in comic novel, Christopher Moore's retelling, Fool.

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**Gymnastics**

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Rebecca Simbhuadas (9.750) put up solid scores. However, former (4.0) and 9.750 for Rebecca Simbhudas, a replacement for Ward, wasn’t even supposed to compete in the all-around. “It wasn’t really expecting [her] to go and work yourself that hard,” said Nash. “It was just like a boost for her recreation.”

In the all-around, Rebecca Simbhudas was her first title with an overall score of 9.225. Simbhudas, a replacement for Nord, agreed that when he first brought out the boxing gloves, not everyone was as enthusiastic as he was. “A third of them thought it was awesome,” said Nash. “A third weren’t sharpened, and a third didn’t want anything to do with it, which is fine because you’re going to get that.”

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Thinking inside the boxing

**Tennis**

**CONTINUED FROM 1B**

Smack. Smash. Thud. Smash. “It’s a great workout,” said Nash. “When they play, it should be all-out effort. It’s not exactly something you look forward to every day — to go and work yourself that hard.”

In the beginning, the reason he had brought in boxing was to get guys to go more intense when they practiced. He was the one who had introduced boxing to the team. “A lot of times tennis players are under a lot of pressure to do a certain kind of what we want to change,” Nash said. “They don’t want to work hard, guys.”

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**Weil**

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Not surprisingly, the duo entered the 2009 season regarded as one of the most potent one-two punches in the country.

Blevins is quick to attribute the benefits that come with having two strong guys. “There would be so much more pressure on both of them if the other was not around,” she said. “The relationship they have is special, and they give each other a lot of confidence on the mound.”

Blevins also noted the importance of a catcher in the day-to-day performance of a pitcher. Pitching, she said, has split the duties in the past season — so good, and I don’t have Steve on the floor anymore,” she said. “When they play, it should be all-out effort. It’s not exactly something you look forward to every day — to go and work yourself that hard.”

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Suns Fire Porter after Four Seasons

The Phoenix Suns fired interim coach Lindsey Hunter on Tuesday afternoon.

Hunter, the only holdover from Mike D’Antoni’s tenure, was put in charge after D’Antoni left to become the coach of the New York Knicks.

The team is a mere four months into its first season without D’Antoni, a coach who lets his team play up-tempo.

The Suns finished the 2008-2009 season with a 47-35 record, and finished the month of February with a 15-11 record.

Hunter’s eight-game winning streak was the longest in the team’s history in a single month.

The Suns later hired Phoenix’s Steve Nash as an assistant coach, and have been given his release from the school.

Nash, who played 15 seasons with the Suns, was during his tenure the NL Rookie of the Year.

He won the World Series with the Cardinals, and he was the NL Rookie of the Year in 2003.

The 6-6, 230-pounder from San Antonio, Texas, was the NL Rookie of the Year in 2003.

During his 12-year career, he accumulated 1,105 yards and nine touchdowns.

Soto was honored as a Freshman All-American in 2007.

If he chooses to participate in the World Baseball Classic, Soto will still have a chance to make the Cardinals’ major league roster.

The Cardinals have a surplus of talent at the catcher position.

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** horoscopes **

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Conservatism and making money. Make sure all of the steps are in place before you start down a new path, or you could end up in a mess.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don’t believe everything you hear. You may end up feeling a little pushy, but if you aren’t careful, you could end up feeling like you’re being pushed around.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may not be as successful as you think you are, but that’s okay because you’re trying hard.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A far-off friend can do wonders for you today. Someone from your past will surface; don’t go there.

LEO (July 23-August 22) Friends will support you if you need it. They will help you stay on track.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) You've got a lot going for you so harness and run with it. Love, travel, and visits will be important.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) Focus on success and positive action. You can be successful if you believe in yourself.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Someone from your past will help you today. They will be happy to see you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) At some point, you have to trust someone, so open up discussions about your ideas and plans for the future. Someone you have always known can help.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Someone is going to come into your life and make things better. They will be in control and you will enjoy it.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) Someone is going to come into your life and make things better. They will be in control and you will enjoy it.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Some changes will be necessary, but you can handle them. Someone from your past will help you.

TODAY’S EVENTS

**Theatre**

- **IMU second-floor ballroom**
- **Barnes & Noble, 1451 Coral Ridge Ave.**
- **Coralville Marriott, 300 E. Ninth St.**

**Music**

- **IMU second-floor ballroom**
- **Coffee and Crime Book Group**

**Athletics**

- **University of Iowa Athletics**
- **Iowa State University**

**Cafeteria**

- **The Daily Iowan**
- **Iowa City Foreign Relations Council**

**Concerts**

- **IMU second-floor ballroom**

**Birthday**

- **IMU second-floor ballroom**

**Workshops**

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**Meetings**

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**DINING SCHEDULE OF THE DAY**

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**Today’s Ledge**

- **News from Québec**
- **Women at Iowa, Meryn Fluker**
- **A chance to get ahead is evident, and someone who has always believed in you will be happy to see you again.**
- **Lisa Bluder News Conference, live from the IMU in Iowa City.**
- **Beware of anyone with a fancy idea trying to get you to invest or lend money.**
- **Hat and Mitton Drive, noon, Riverside.**
- **Chiara Quartet Fine Arts Center.**
- **Don’t believe everything you are told. Anyone trying to discourage you will end up being proven wrong.**
- **Iowa Friends of Old-Time Music Tuesday Night Jam Session.**
- **Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert.**

**Today’s events**

- **Molecular Physiology and Biophysics Spring Semester Seminar, “SNAREs Diagnose Impacts of conserved core trafficking defects upon insulin secretion and insulin action,” Debbie Thornstrom, Indiana University.**
- **Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 122 S. Linn.**
- **Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 122 S. Linn.**
- **School Age Summer Camp Information Fair for Parents, 11:30 a.m., 8401 Pappajohn Business Building.**
- **Hat and Mitton Drive, noon, Riverside.**
- **Iowa City Foreign Relations Council Luncheon, “Religion and Secularism in the Muslim World,” Adrien Wing, American University at Cairo.**
- **Department of Biochemistry Seminar, “Studies of proliferating cell nuclear antigen and its role in the replication of damaged DNA,” Todd Washington.**
- **How to Make the Career Fair Work For You, 1 p.m., 130 Pomerantz Center.**
- **Department of Microbiology Seminar, “Evolution of flagellar genes in Salmonella,” John Logden Jr.**
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**Daily Break**

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